

THE FREE LANCE

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RICHMOND, FREDERICKSBURG AND POTOMAC RAILROAD.

Schedule in effect Jan. 27th, 1901.

LEAVE NORTHWARD.  
5:40 A. M. daily. No local stops.  
7:02 A. M. daily. No local stops.  
10:10 A. M. Sunday only. Stops at Brooke and White Water.  
10:20 A. M. daily except Sunday. Quantico Accommodation.  
10:40 A. M. daily except Sunday. No local stops.  
1:20 P. M. daily except Sunday. No local stops.  
3:20 P. M. daily. No local stops.  
5:20 P. M. daily. Stops at Brooke and White Water.

LEAVE SOUTHWARD.  
8:25 A. M. daily. Atlantic Coast Line train. Stops at Brooke, Quantico and Ashland. Week days. All local stops on Sundays.  
10:10 A. M. daily. Seaboard Air Line train. Stops at Brooke, Quantico and Ashland.  
1:24 P. M. daily except Sunday. Stops at Brooke, Quantico and Ashland.  
4:40 P. M. daily. Atlantic Coast Line train. Stops at Brooke, Quantico and Ashland.  
6:32 P. M. daily. Makes local stops.  
8:32 P. M. daily. Seaboard Air Line train. Stops at Brooke, Quantico and Ashland.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.  
Daily except Sunday.  
5:55 A. M. for Quantico.  
10:20 A. M. for Quantico.  
12:47 P. M. for Quantico.  
4:00 P. M. from Quantico for Fredericksburg.

W. P. TAYLOR, Traffic Manager.  
R. D. MYERS, President.  
C. C. COLE, Agent.

POTOMAC, FREDERICKSBURG AND PIEDMONT RAILROAD.

Schedule for 1901.

No. 1. Lv. Arr. No. 2.  
8:00 A. M. Fredericksburg 8:15 P. M.  
8:15 A. M. Brooke 8:30 P. M.  
8:30 A. M. Ashland 8:45 P. M.  
8:45 A. M. Quantico 9:00 P. M.  
8:55 A. M. Seaboard 9:10 P. M.  
9:00 A. M. Seaboard 9:15 P. M.  
9:10 A. M. Seaboard 9:25 P. M.  
9:25 A. M. Seaboard 9:40 P. M.  
9:40 A. M. Seaboard 9:55 P. M.  
9:55 A. M. Seaboard 10:10 P. M.  
10:10 A. M. Seaboard 10:25 P. M.  
10:25 A. M. Seaboard 10:40 P. M.  
10:40 A. M. Seaboard 10:55 P. M.  
10:55 A. M. Seaboard 11:10 P. M.

Connections at Fredericksburg with R. F. & P. R. R., and with Southern and Chesapeake & Ohio R. R.  
The only line to the Chesapeake and Western Railroad.  
Eastern Standard Time. Daily except Sunday.  
N. W. R. R. HARRIS, Gen. Manager.  
Train No. 2 leaves Quantico at 10:10 Monday in each month at 2 P. M.

HEADQUARTERS FOR BUILDING MATERIALS.

I keep all kinds of North Carolina and Virginia Lumber, dressed and undressed, Shingles, Laths, Sash, Doors, and Blinds, Lime, Cement, Calcareous Plaster, Plastering Hair, Building and Paving Brick, Tin and Iron Roofing, Put and Wire Nails, all kinds of Paints, Putty and Dry Paint, Linseed Oil, Turpentine, Dryer Varnish and Lewis's White Lead, Paint Brushes of all kinds, Window Glass and Putty, Builders' Hardware of all kinds, Tar Roofing and Sheathing Paper.  
Farm Wagons, Road Carts and Buggies. Large stock always on hand.  
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\$30,000 TO LOAN

In sums to suit, on both City and Country Property, upon easy terms and at 5 per cent. interest. Consult your own advantage by corresponding with

JOHN T. KNIGHT, President.

ISAAC HIRSH, Secretary.

Merchants' and Mechanics' Perpetual Building and Loan Association, of Fredericksburg, Va. 3-6m.

\$10,500. To Loan, \$20,500.

THE ENT. PRIZE BUILDING ASSOCIATION offers money to loan on their liberal terms, in sums to suit, from \$500 up, on city and country property. Apply to

HENRY WISSNER, President.

519 Main Street, Fredericksburg, Va. j-15-6m.

ANOTHER CAR LOAD

Corn and Oat Chop and Several Cars of Hay and other FEEDS JUST RECEIVED.

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Cut This Out.

Please send me information as to cost, results, etc. of a 20 year policy in the

EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY—STRONGEST in the world.

Name.....

Age.....

Post Office.....

Signed.....

FORWARD TO

Rowlett & Goolrick

SPECIAL AGENTS,

Fredricksburg, Virginia.

The Fishing Season

Mr. Thos. Bullenger will fish this season at Freestone and Gunn Point. Preparations are also being made for fishing at Stony Pt., Chapman's Pt., Plum Tree, Mill Point, Greenway Point, Wilewater, Passapatany and Green Bottom. The season is usually considered to open here at the renting of the Alexandria fish wharf, which will take place on March 2.—Alex. Gazette.

Current Comments.

Mr. S. A. Ratcliffe, of King George, is in the city on business.

Messrs. C. R. and T. S. Coleman, of the city, were in the city Saturday.

Mr. T. B. Garrison, of Stafford, was a caller at The Free Lance yesterday.

Several interesting communications are unavoidably crowded out of this issue.

Miss Minnie Downing, of Gordonsville, is the guest of the family of Connelman in W. Wroten.

Mr. Lee J. Graves, Commonwealth's Attorney of Spotsylvania, was a caller at The Free Lance office yesterday.

A small dwelling belonging to Robert Bird, on the Caroline road, just below the city, was destroyed by fire yesterday.

You should see our Black Dress Goods, especially our Waterproof serges, stock complete, price low. Come and see. E. T. Baker.

Mr. Dentley, wife of Capt. J. T. Dentley, died yesterday afternoon at her home, of pneumonia. Her husband and several children survive her.

J. R. Hall's Sons have just received a large stock of Landreth's Carriage Seeds at low prices. Also a complete assortment of everything usually found in the best drug store.

When you want an exact photograph of yourself, thoroughly durable and up-to-date in finish, you can always get it at the Davis Gallery. Your work guaranteed in every respect.

The funeral of Mrs. Willie Tombs, who died Friday, took place from the residence Saturday afternoon. Rev. J. P. Stamp conducting the service.

The address by Dr. James B. Woods, lately from China, before the Ladies' Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at 4:30 was listened to and enjoyed by a large audience.

Mr. S. A. Macarty has issued invitations to the marriage of his daughter, Miss Louise Macarty, to Prof. Carl G. von Martineck. The ceremony will take place in the Presbyterian Chapel, at one o'clock Wednesday, March 4th.

Rev. L. L. Chestnut arrived here Saturday from Ashland, and preached Sunday morning and night at the Christian church, the pastor of which he has accepted. He will move his family, consisting of wife and seven children, hereabout March 17.

Mr. P. H. C. Gell of Richmond, who made many acquaintances in this city during some recent trips at the Court-house here, slipped and fell on the pavement as he was about to enter the Lexington hotel in Richmond Saturday evening and broke his arm.

"The prettiest I ever saw in this town." That is the expression of every lady who has seen the new Foulard silks new Talbot silks, new dress goods, new lace for trimming these. Everybody should see them. The early buyer gets first choice. C. W. Jones.

MARRIAGES

Cards are out announcing for the 24th of this month the marriage of Mr. H. Clifford Huggins and Miss Helen Postles, both of Matthews county.

Mr. James M. Winston and Miss Julia Nelson Jones, of Loudoun county, were united in marriage last week. Rev. J. R. Ellis performing the ceremony.

Capt. Patrick H. Lee, of Holland, Va., eloped with his housekeeper, Miss Willie Carter, and they were married. The groom is 72 and the bride 28 years of age.

Miss May Wheaton, daughter of Capt. J. H. Wheaton, one of the largest oyster planters along the Rappahannock, and Mr. Wm. P. Mullen, both of Wheaton, Lancaster county, were married Wednesday night in the Methodist Episcopal Church at that place by Rev. E. S. Gardner. After the marriage an elegant reception was tendered the newly-married couple and friends at the palatial residence of the bride.

Ensign Lewis, of Accomac county, died recently, aged 31 years.

Joshua W. Reed, Jr., of Accomac county, died last week, aged 76 years.

Mrs. Lena Edwards, of Accomac county, died at her home, February 17th.

Mr. John B. Morris, of King and Queen county, died Thursday night. Mr. Morris had been an invalid for a long time.

Walter G. Newlan, of Fairfax county, was found dead in his bed at his boarding-house in Washington Friday, as a result of being overcome by gas.

W. L. Jacobs, of Loudoun county, a private in Company H, Forty-fifth U. S. Volunteer Infantry, died in Manila October 30, 1900, and his remains were brought back and interred at Arlington, February 19, 1901.

Inauguration of President McKinley

For this occasion the R. F. & P. R. R. will provide a special train to leave Richmond at 7 a. m., and Fredericksburg about 8:30 a. m., March 4th, arriving at Washington about 10:30 a. m., returning to leave 9th street and Maryland Avenue at 8:20 p. m. Fare for the round trip \$1.00. This train will stop at Ashland and Millford.

Death of Mrs. Bobt Smith

Mrs. Robert Smith died at her home, "Bunker Hill," Friday, having passed away only a few days after the death of her relative, Miss Maria L. Howe. Mrs. Smith was 84 years of age and is survived by two daughters and two brothers, Messrs. Arthur Howe, of Washington, and Mr. Isaac Howe, of King George.

The funeral took place from St. George's church Sunday afternoon. Rev. W. D. Smith conducting the services.

A Veteran's Story—George Lewis, of Shamokin, Pa., writes: "I am eighty years of age. I have been troubled with catarrh for many years, and in my time have used a great many catarrh cures, but never had any relief until I used Dr. Agnew's Catarrh Powder. One box cured me completely."—For sale by J. R. Hall's Sons and Johnston & Pearson.

Mr. Frank Nalle, of Somerset, Orange county, has offered to give a lot at Somerset Station upon which to build an Episcopal Church.

HOW THESE JUDGES STAND.

Interviews with Circuit Judges Mason and Wright.

Circuit Judge John E. Mason was approached Saturday by a representative of The Free Lance, who told him that there was quite a sentiment in the Northern Neck counties in favor of his being a member of the Constitutional Convention. The Judge appreciated the kindly feelings of his people, but said that under no circumstances could he consider the suggestion. He said that as he held a constitutional office, he did not think it would be altogether proper to become one of those whose duty it would be to pass upon such questions. More than six months ago Judge Mason had expressed himself to intimate friends in this way.

The following is an interview between The Free Lance and Judge T. R. R. Wright, of Tappahannock.

Reporter: Judge, you are a candidate for the Constitutional Convention.

Judge Wright: The article in the Democrat is misleading. I do not believe unconditionally, but as to my candidacy, and as to the circulation of petitions endorsing me, I have ascertained that my generous friends circulated a petition without my knowledge, calling on me to allow my name to be used as a candidate. No such petition has been presented to me, calling on me and asking me to become a candidate, and I have never announced any candidacy. I emphatically state that I have not sought, nor am I seeking a place that is so-called, respectable and delicate that it should seek the man, and that I shall rest content to be found discharging my duty as Judge of the 9th Judicial Circuit during the contest.

We are pleased to note the contravention of Mr. Joseph H. Stubbins, who has been recently suffering from grip.

Mrs. R. R. Powell is visiting her daughter in Charlottesville, W. Va.

The roads in this section are in unusual good condition for winter.

We are indebted to our hospitable host, Mr. "Jim" Daniel, for a "big dance" and splendid supper last Friday night. The inspiring music for the dance was furnished by three skilled musicians, Messrs. Benie Coleman, Clyde Taylor and Glenroy Harris.

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Alexandria Masons Celebrate Washington's Birthday

The Alexandria Gazette of Saturday, referring to the celebration of Washington's birthday by Alexandria Washington Lodge of Masons in that city Friday night, says: "Past Master Kemper presided and made a fitting address, his subject being George Washington, 1732-1799. He concluded by proposing a toast to Alexandria Washington Lodge, No. 22, and Fredericksburg Lodge, No. 4, both abounding in memories of Washington, and where he was so often seen by the brethren. Past Master Kemper then introduced Judge J. B. Sener of Fredericksburg, who made an eloquent and instructive response. The Judge gave many interesting reminiscences of Washington as a Mason. His address was listened to with attention and was greatly appreciated.

The Washington Guards.

Capt. M. B. Rowe had Company L, 70th Virginia Regiment, on Friday afternoon on a parade, which included a march to the shooting grounds where the men engaged in target practice. The soldiers presented a very handsome appearance in their new uniforms which they will wear in the inaugural parade at Washington, March 4th.

In the target practice the following scores, out of a possible 25, were made: R. H. Mettles, 17; Lieut. Thos. M. Larkin, 18; and Capt. M. B. Rowe, 17. The medal was awarded to Mr. Mettles.

Fire in Stafford

The dwelling on the "White Cottage" farm about two miles above Falmouth, in Stafford county, belonging to Mr. Z. M. Honey, of Washington, was destroyed by fire Sunday afternoon. It was occupied by the tenant of the farm, Mr. Wm. A. Brown and family, formerly of Upperpottery county, who lost nearly all of their property, including building burning very rapidly.

Mr. Brown lost, besides a sum of money, his watch.

Mr. Honey had \$1,000 insurance on the house. The furniture was not insured. The insurance on the house was placed with Messrs. Bowlett and Gookrick, of this city.

Another Attempt to Rob Orange Post-office.

The post-office at Orange, C. H., was robbed again last Thursday night. Only twenty-five cents in copper coin and a small number of two-cent stamps amounting to about three dollars were obtained this time. The blacksmith shop was broken into and the same tools taken and returned that were used in the former robbery. Since the first robbery in January Mr. Carter, the postmaster, does not keep any valuables in the office at night, and the burglars made a small haul.

Bates to the Inauguration

On account of the inauguration of President McKinley, the R. F. & P. R. R. will sell tickets to Washington and return, March 1st, 2nd, 3rd and for morning trains of the 4th, final limit March 9th, 1901, at rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets good only on date of sale and for continuous passage in each direction.

C. C. Cox, Agent.

Virginians Killed in an Explosion.

By an explosion of dynamite which was being thawed out in a cut at Patterson's Creek near Cumberland, Md., recently, three men were killed and five wounded. Among the killed was W. H. Vawter, of Loudoun county, and among the wounded was H. E. Faulkner, of Rapidan, head bully cut. R. E. Faulkner, of Orange county, brother of H. E. Vawter's, is now in the hospital.

For Over Fifty Years.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.

For By-Laws, Pamphlets, Catalogues write to or call on The Free Lance for estimates.

SPOTSYLVANIA.

Notes and Personalities from the Belmont Neighborhood.

(Correspondence of The Free Lance.)

Belmont, Va., Feb. 23rd, 1901.

Although the Belmont neighborhood is the prettiest and wealthiest section of country that can be found in a radius of many miles, yet it does not seem to have been represented in the columns of The Free Lance by a permanent correspondent. Only occasionally we see an article from here, consequently those who have not visited our splendid farms and hospitable homes from Potomac but little of our enterprising community.

Mr. Altman, who recently purchased Prof. R. R. Powell's large farm, has taken possession with his family. Mr. Altman is a Northern gentleman and we think he will prove a valuable addition to this neighborhood.

Prof. R. R. Powell has gone on a business and pleasure trip to Florida, expecting to return in about ten days.

Miss Lola Taylor, a charming young lady of this neighborhood, is quite sick at her home, threatened with pneumonia.

Mr. Hugh Dickinson thinks that he has sold his splendid farm "Merger Hall" to a gentleman from Potomac. We would regret very much to lose the jovial society of Mr. "Hugh," and our best wishes will follow him.

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Will Play Here

Manager Kahn has accepted a proposition from the Fredericksburg College Baseball Association to play several games in that city during the early part of the baseball season.—Rich. Dispatch.

REDUCED RATES TO WASHINGTON

Via Pennsylvania Railroad, Account Inauguration of President McKinley.

On account of the inauguration of President McKinley on March 4, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets from all points on its lines to Washington at rate of one fare for the round trip, (minimum rate 50 cents). Tickets will be sold on March 1, 2 and 3, good to return until March 8, inclusive. Tickets will also be sold from Harrisburg and intermediate stations, and from Philadelphia and intermediate stations on March 4. These tickets will be good to stop off at Baltimore and Philadelphia within limit of March 8.

BIDS INVITED

FOR THE PURCHASE OF Bonds of the City of Fredericksburg, Va.

In pursuance of a resolution of the City Council of Fredericksburg, adopted at a meeting held on February 21, 1901, the undersigned Finance Committee of said Council invite bids for the purchase of Registered or Coupon Bonds of said city, of the par value of Eighteen thousand dollars, bearing date on the first day of April, 1901, and payable thirty years after the date of their issue, and redeemable at the option of the City Council at any time after ten years from their date, to bear interest at a rate not to exceed 4 per centum per annum, payable semi-annually.

The said sealed bids to be in the hands of the chairman of said committee by 12 o'clock M., on the

15th day of March, 1901,

when they will be opened. The committee reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

E. D. COLE, W. S. EMBREY, T. McCracken, Finance Committee.

PUBLIC SALE

OF Personal Property.

I will offer for sale at

"HAYFIELD," in Caroline County, on

Thursday, March 7th, at 10 a.m.

All the personal property of the late J. E. Garrett, consisting of 21 Horses and Mules, 38 Cattle, Stock and Milch Cows, 8 Sheep, 11 Hogs, 2 engines and Threshers, 2 Binders, 3 Drills, 1 Buggy, Farming implements of every description. Household and Kitchen Furniture, Wagons, Harness, and many other things too numerous to mention.

TERMS OF SALE:—All sums under \$25 cash; all over, negotiable note, six months' time, with approved endorser. A. L. GARRETT, Administrator.

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Go to Genthers' for cheap hand-made Harness, Saddles, Whips, etc. His goods are reliable and his prices low. All goods warranted. Repairing done promptly and low prices guaranteed. GENTHERS.

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are grown and selected with special reference to their adaptability to the soil and climate of the South. On our seed farms, and in our trial grounds, thousands of dollars are expended in testing and growing the very best seeds that it is possible to grow. By our experiments we are enabled to save our customers much expense and loss from planting varieties not adapted to our Southern soil and climate.

Wood's Seed Book for 1901 is fully up to date, and tells all about the best Seeds for the South. It surpasses all other publications of its kind in helpful and useful information for Gardeners, Trunkers and Farmers.

Mailed free. Write for it.

T. W. WOOD & SONS, Seed Growers & Merchants, RICHMOND, VA.

LARGEST SEED HOUSE IN THE SOUTH.

Panama Takes a Family.

Death has claimed three members of one family within one week, and another member's life is despaired of. Last Monday night R. T. Allen, of Croxton, Caroline County, died of pneumonia. About the same time a daughter, Miss Dora L. Allen, was taken ill with pneumonia, and her death followed Thursday. H. M. Allen, a son, who lives at Croxton, is seriously ill. Last Sunday night Louis H. Harris, the father-in-law of another son, E. G. Allen, died at his home in Louisa. The two children of Mr. H. M. Allen are just beginning to recover from severe attacks of pneumonia.

R. T. Allen was aged seventy-four years, and was a well-known citizen of Caroline. His daughter was aged forty-five years, and resided with her father at the homestead, which with the two deaths, is left tenantless.

FREEMAN & EVANS

GENERAL GROCERS, WEST END, Fredericksburg, Va.

Highest cash price paid for country produce.

15c

Any Article Wanted for Only 15c.

15 1 pound Peerless coffee, granulated, as good as any 15c coffee on the market.

15 1 qt. bottle of good catsup

15 2 cans good corn.

15 2 cans good peas.

15 1 package wheatmeal.

15 5 lbs. good rolled oats.

15 6 bars soap, good as Star.

15 6 lbs. best flour.

15 4 lb. extra choice Moyune tea

15 14 lbs. best mince meat.

15 24 lbs. fine, black mealy prunes.

15 1 lb. best evap. apricots.

15 14 lbs. best evap. peaches.

15 12 boxes 200s matches.

15 6 full roe blotters.

15 3 packages breakfast hominy

15 1 can good salmon.

15 1 can elegant pumpkin pie.

15 2 lbs. elegant Carolina rice.

WE HAVE

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of all kinds on hand such as Hay, Ship Stuff, Bran, Chop, Corn, Oats and Cracked Corn at the

LOWEST PRICES

Mail Orders a Specialty.

Prompt attention to all orders. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

Yours to please

W. L. Burruss.

Phone 1. Wholesale and Retail.

LOCAL MARKETS.

(Corrected by Simon Hirsch & Bro.)

Wheat, 75 to 80; corn, 50 to 52; meal, \$1.15 to \$1.20 per 100 pounds; oats, 30 to 35; clover (live), 5 to 7; turkeys (live), 6 to 7; dressed, 8 to 10; ducks (live), 6 to 7; dressed, 8 to 9; eggs, 16 to 17; butter, 15 to 20; lard, 11 to 12; fresh potatoes, 45 to 70; early rose, for seed, 95 to \$1.00; head 3 to 3 1/2; red, 4 1/2; corn, 3 to 3 1/2; hides (green), 4 1/2 to 5; hides (dry), 7 to 8; baled hay, \$14 to \$16 per ton.

Wool—unwashed, 20 to 21; washed, 27 to 28.

Leaf Suet—50 to 55 cents per hundred pounds.

The grain markets closed yesterday as follows: Chicago—Wheat, Feb. 74 1/2; May, 74 1/2; corn, Feb. 39 1/2; May, 41 1/2; Feb. oats, 24 1/2; New York—Southern wheat, 78 to 84; corn, 45 to 46; Baltimore—Southern wheat, 75 to 78; Southern corn, 45 to 46; Richmond—Wheat, 75 to 8